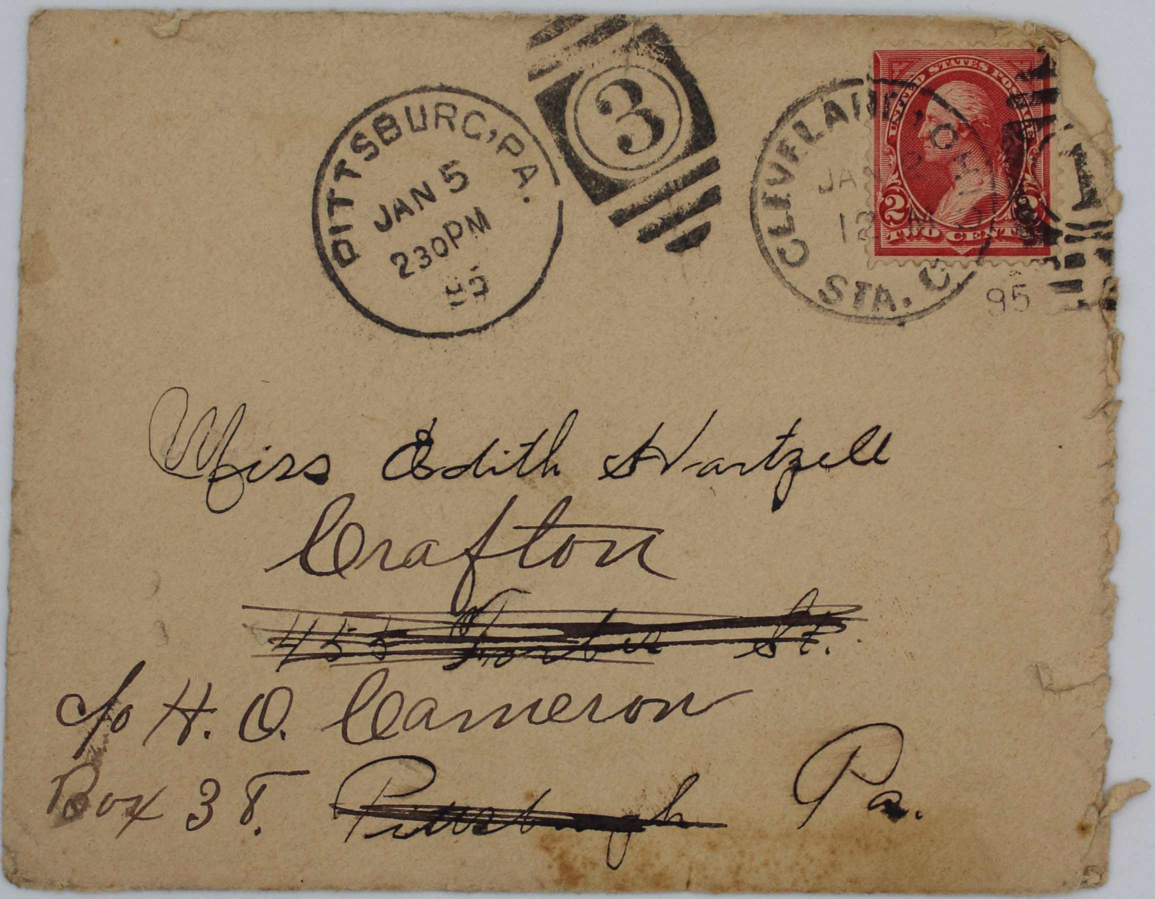

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My Dear Sister Edith

It has been quite a while since I have written you a letter but we get to hear from one another just as often I guess.

Today is New years day and what a beautiful one it has been. We have a nice snow on the ground and there is a good many sleighs out

Dear Sister I got your X mas present and think it a verry appropriate one and beautiful. ow think you were wise in making such a selection. Sadie is verry much pleased with it and said for me to tell you for her that she is verry sorry that she didn't have something for you. she thinks it is just lovely. Edith you musent expect much from her for she hasent been working steady for a long time until a few week ago. And now

expects to be laid off a
gain since hollidays are over
I am verry sorry for my
part to. in fact asham-
ed of myself for not
sending you something for
Xmas. I priced their sou-
venirs teaspoons and the
kind I wanted was from
$2.75 to $3.00 and that was
more than could aford
for after paying my board
and rent and other little
bills my money was gone
so I diddent give but
verry few presents this year
and diddent expect any. But
was well remembered after

all. Sadie gave me a beautiful gold mounted umbrella with my initials on it and a pair of kid gloves some kerchiefs and cologne &c. her Ma a nice silk handkief with my initial. so you see I done better than expected to. Xmas was my day off and I enjoyed it very much. today I am on duty. will be off on Friday again. Ma and Jennie was well Sunday when I was at home. I am well and fat. dont get many fires.

Edith I hope you have been remembered with Xmas presents as well as you did us. by some kind hearted friends. But dont you think we have forgotten you for we havent by any means. I hope someday to be more able to remember you with tokens than now. I guess it must of been K— that sent you that package for it wasent us. I havent seen Hattie for a long time. but I hear that she is dressing lovely. Edith I must close and go to bed wishing you had a merry xmas. and wishing you a happy new year. and many thanks for the presents from Sadie and I both.

As ever your Loving Broe.
Archie